

TITLE 7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT

CHAPTER 3. ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Part 1. General Provisions

Study Commission Timetable

7-3-186. Study commission timetable. (1) Each local government study commission shall, within 90 days of its organizational meeting, establish a timetable for its deliberations and actions. The timetable must be published in a local newspaper of general circulation. The timetable may be revised, but each revision must be republished.

(2) The timetable must provide, at a minimum, the following provisions, to be accomplished chronologically in the order presented:

(a) conduct one or more public hearings for the purpose of gathering information regarding the current form, functions, and problems of local government;

(b) formulate, reproduce, and distribute a tentative report, containing the same categories of information required to be included in the final report;

(c) conduct one or more public hearings on the tentative report; and

(d) adopt the final report of the commission and set the date for an election on the question of adopting a new plan of government pursuant to 7-3-192 or, if the study commission is not recommending any changes, publish and distribute the final report as provided in 7-3-187 within 60 days after the final report is adopted.

History: En. Sec. 18, Ch. 697, L. 1983; amd. Sec. 10, Ch. 387, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 46, Ch. 49, L. 2015.

Final Report

7-3-187. Final report. (1) A study commission shall adopt a final report. If the study commission recommends an alteration of a local government, the final report must contain the following materials and documents, each signed by a majority of the study commission members:

(a) those materials and documents required of a petition proposing an alteration of a local government in 7-3-142;

(b) a certificate establishing the date of the election pursuant to 7-3-192 at which the alternative form of government or change in a plan of government is presented to the electors and a certificate establishing the form of the ballot question or questions; and

(c) a certificate establishing the dates of the first primary and general elections for officers of a new government if the proposal is approved and establishing the effective date of the proposal if approved.

(2) The final report must contain any minority report signed by members of the commission who do not support the majority proposal.

(3) If the study commission is not recommending any changes, its final report must indicate that changes are not recommended.

(4) The study commission shall file two copies of the final report with the department of administration, one of which the department shall forward to the state library. A copy of the final report must be certified by the study commission to the municipal or county records administrator within 30 days after the adoption of the final report.

(5) Sufficient copies of the final report must be prepared for public distribution. The final report must be available to the electors not later than 30 days prior to the election on the issue of adopting the alternative form or plan of government. Copies of the final report may be distributed to electors or residents of the local government or governments affected.

(6) After submission of the final report, the commission shall deposit copies of its minutes and other records with the county clerk and recorder.

History: En. Sec. 19, Ch. 697, L. 1983; amd. Sec. 5, Ch. 435, L. 1985; amd. Sec. 11, Ch. 387, L. 1995; amd. Sec. 28, Ch. 483, L. 2001; amd. Sec. 17, Ch. 521, L. 2007; amd. Sec. 47, Ch. 49, L. 2015